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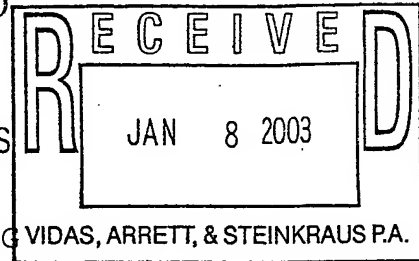
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In re Application of  
Brucker et al.  
Application No. 10/083,711  
Filed: February 26, 2002  
For: Bifurcated Stent and Delivery  
SystemDECISION GRANTING VIDAS, ARRETT, & STEINKRAUS P.A.  
PETITION UNDER  
37 CFR 1.47(a)

This is in response to the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a),  
filed December 26, 2002.

The petition is granted.

Petitioner has shown that Enrique Malaret, the non-signing inventor,  
has refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application  
after having been presented with the application papers.  
Specifically, the statement of facts of James M. Urzedowski  
establishes that the inventor was mailed the application papers,  
including the specification, claims and drawings, but failed to  
respond to the request that he sign the declaration.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and  
found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby  
accorded Rule 1.47(a) status. As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this  
Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the  
non-signing inventor at the address given in the present petition.  
Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in  
the Official Gazette.

The application file is being forwarded to Office of Initial Patent  
Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the  
undersigned at (703) 306-5589.

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